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REPUBLICANS OF PANHANDLE MEET

Most of Forty Counties in Organization Are Represented

CECIL LYON ENDORSED

RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED FLEETING PARTY SUPPORT BUT ALLOWING MEMBERS NOMINEE SELECTION.

An enthusiastic meeting of the Panhandle Republican Club was held yesterday evening in the county courthouse, with B. Roy Houghton of Memphis, vice president, presiding, in the absence of I. W. Carheart, of Clarendon, president, who was detained on account of illness, and Everett Haney of Amarillo acted as secretary.

Hart Marshall of Sherman, private secretary of Col. Cecil A. Lyon, and secretary of the State Central Republican Committee, was present and addressed the meeting. The other speakers were B. Roy Houghton of Memphis, Jasper N. Haney, Sr., of Amarillo, J. C. Storm of Amarillo, Captain Knight of Nocona, Charles Dammier of Amarillo, Frank Exum of Shamrock and F. H. Hill of Panhandle.

This club embraces approximately forty counties and the representation was liberal, all things considered, and whatever was lacking in numbers was amply made up in enthusiasm.

The following resolutions were unanimously adopted by the club:

"We, the members of the Panhandle Republican Club, in meeting assembled this the 19th day of March, 1912, hereby endorse the policies advocated by the Honorable Cecil A. Lyon as state chairman and national committeeman, and endorse his candidacy for election as a delegate at large from Texas to the national convention and also his re-election as national committeeman from Texas."

Another resolution adopted, shows the following latitude:

"It is hereby declared that the function of this club is to support and maintain the republican party. Therefore, be it

"Resolved, That each member has the right to support any member of the party for the nomination as a candidate for president that to him may seem the best for the welfare of the people, and be it

"Resolved, That we all do hereby obligate ourselves to support and vote for the nominees of the party in both the state and national elections."

The meeting was attended by a number of Amarillo Republicans, who are not affiliated with the organization.

Orangemen in Session.

St. John, N. B., March 19.—The question of a uniform dominion marriage law is one of the principal matters to be considered by the New Brunswick Grand Lodge of Orangemen in annual session here.

DARING HOLDUP IN MISSISSIPPI

Express Safe of B. & O. Train Blown Open and Robbed

By Associated Press. Corinth, Miss., March 19.—Mobile & Ohio passenger train No. 4, north-bound, was held up and the express safe blown and robbed south of here early tonight by four masked, heavily armed men, who escaped in the dense underbrush.

Bloodbonds were telegraphed for, and a posse was organized to take up pursuit of the robbers.

The amount of money secured is unknown.

SQUARE DEAL PLEA TO NEW ENGLANDERS.

By Associated Press. Boston, Mass., March 19.—"All the administration wants is a square deal," said President Taft, speaking today from the steps of the Concord, New Hampshire State House, near the close of his two days' visit in New England.

The president spoke today at Nashua, Manchester and Concord. He returned to Washington tonight.

WILSON AND WILEY BURLESON'S TICKET.

By Associated Press. Washington, D. C., March 19.—"Pure Democracy and Pure Food" was the slogan worked up by Representative Burleson of Texas today, in proposing that the Democratic party adopt the following ticket: For President, Woodrow Wilson; for Vice President, Dr. Harvey W. Wiley.

HEREFORD BOY'S HEAD BLOWN OFF

E. F. Connell Jr. Killed by Accidental Discharge of Gun

Special to Daily News.

Hereford, Tex., March 19.—E. F. Connell, Jr., aged 7 years, was accidentally killed here at 5 p. m. yesterday. E. F. Connell, Sr., left in the morning, by auto, for Endee, New Mexico, on a cattle deal. Mrs. Connell was visiting a neighbor when the accident occurred. Four of the children were left at home. E. F. Jr., (generally called Bill), and his twin brother, Ira, in some way got hold of their father's No. 12 pump shot gun. While playing with the gun it was accidentally discharged, blowing the whole top off the child's head.

Funeral services were held at 2 o'clock today, and the remains shipped to Bartlett, Texas, on the afternoon train for Interment. Mr. Connell served three terms as sheriff of this county, and was considered one of the most proficient sheriffs in all Texas.

"The Connell twins were born here and were known by everybody. The sad and sudden death of 'Little Bill' has cast a gloom over the entire city."

CATTLE THIEF HAS DISAPPEARED IN TEXAS.

Special to Daily News.

Fort Worth, Tex., March 19.—Statistics compiled by the Texas Cattle Raisers Association show that there were practically no cattle thefts during the last few years and the gangs that used to terrorize the ranchman have become extinct. These conditions have been brought about by the effective work of range inspectors, who were stationed in every section of the cattle raising district and with the co-operation of the Texas Cattle Raisers Association.

These range inspectors were experts trained on the ranches and they knew at sight the \$5,000 brands recorded at the association's headquarters as well as the brands of the majority of the ranchmen who were not members of that organization.

In the early days cattle stealing was a favorite pastime of a class of people in the Lone Star State, and carelessness with the lasso and branding iron was much in vogue, but after a few years of organized effort on the part of the cattlemen (and several public hangings) cattle rustling became a thing of the past and today the man who used to ride the ranges and wage war against the cattle rustlers is engaged in a more peaceful and less exciting endeavor.

HURLEY IRRIGATION MEET THIS WEEK.

Special to Daily News. Hurley, Tex., March 19.—Interest is manifest strongly in the irrigation demonstration that is to be given at Hurley, March 22. The program is somewhat informal, but it is known that H. M. Rainer, agricultural demonstrator for the Santa Fe, and L. L. Johnson, his assistant, will be on the list of speakers.

General invitation is extended to the people of the Panhandle as well as those of other points to attend the demonstration and incidentally see Hurley country.

Vital Organs in Court.

New Orleans, La., March 19.—The defense of Annie Crawford was thrown into confusion when the State produced in court the brain, heart, lungs and other organs of Elsie Crawford, with expert testimony that their condition showed that the sister of the defendant did not die of cerebral hemorrhage, as the defense contends, but of morphine poisoning. The organs were obtained Sunday by State experts and an autopsy was performed in the graveyard by Dr. Charles Duvau, an expert pathologist.

RUSH TO HILLS AFTER OUTLAWS

Reported Discovery of Allen Gang by Messenger from Posse

FIGHT TO DEATH EXPECTED

JACK ALLEN, BROTHER TO ASSASSINS, GALLOPS INTO TOWN AND CREATES WILD EXCITEMENT.

By Associated Press. Hillsville, Va., March 19.—Messengers from the posse which is guarding mountain roads, reported that the Carroll county court assassins have been located at a point five miles from Floyd Allen's place. Every available man in Hillsville has been hurried into the hills tonight, in the hope of surrounding the Allen gang before its members have a chance to escape. They cannot reach the point which the messengers indicated before dawn.

Jack Allen, one of the brothers who took no part in the tragedy, rode into town this afternoon and said that his brothers probably shot in self-defense, and would now fight to the last ditch. When Jack galloped to the court house the townspeople thought he had come heading another raid. Instead he came to town to consult attorneys regarding attachments which the authorities are making on the property of his brothers.

MAINE DEMOCRATS IN SESSION AT AUGUSTA.

Augusta, Me., March 19.—The Democratic State convention to select six delegates to represent Maine in the national convention at Baltimore assembled in the City Hall here today with United States Senator Charles F. Johnson presiding.

Occupying seats on the platform were Governor Plaisted, Senator Gardner, Congressman McGillicuddy and Gould and other leaders who helped to place the Democratic party in power in Maine a year ago after the Republicans had held almost undisputed sway for several decades. A marked division of sentiment appears among the leaders in regards to the endorsement of a candidate for the presidential nomination. Woodrow Wilson is the preference of Senator Johnson and a number of others who stand high in the party councils, but it is considered doubtful if the Wilson sentiment is strong enough to result in an instructed delegation.

NORRIS COUNSEL AFTER LETTERS

Files Motion to Compel State to Place Them With Defense

Special to Daily News.

Fort Worth, Tex., March 19.—Attorneys for Rev. J. Frank Norris, pastor of the First Baptist church of this city, who is under indictment for perjury, filed a motion before Judge Simmons today to compel the state to place in the hands of the defense the original anonymous letters whose authorship will be the contested point in the trial April 1.

Hearing on the motion is set for Wednesday morning at 9 o'clock. County Attorney Baskin said Tuesday that he would strongly resist placing the documentary evidence in the hands of the defense.

"I think there is no law in Texas to compel the state to show its evidence," Mr. Baskin said. "Of course," he observed ironically, "I suppose the defense is willing for the state's attorneys to see all their evidence, in which event the state's contention to hold its evidence would be overcome."

Pope's Name Day Observed.

Rome, March 19.—This being the feast day of St. Joseph and the name day of Pope Pius X., it was observed as a holiday at the Vatican. His Holiness said mass in his private chapel in the presence of his sisters and niece and later gave an audience to the Cardinals and to members of the Catholic Club of St. Peter's, receiving their congratulations and presents of fruit and flowers.

PROGRESSIVES PRAISE BRYAN

Leading Democrats of Nation Attend Banquet in Lincoln

FUNCTION SIGNIFICANT

OF CLANS GATHERED TO DISCUSS PARTY POLICY SOME OPENLY OPPOSE WOODROW WILSON.

By Associated Press. Lincoln, Neb., March 19.—Representative Democrats of the nation, who declare allegiance to the progressive wing of the party, conferred in Lincoln today on questions of party policy, and tonight paid tribute to Bryan at a banquet in his honor on his fifty-second birthday. The function assumed more than usual significance.

Among the speakers were former Senator Pettibrew of South Dakota, who was outspoken in his opposition to Governor Wilson.

Congressman Henry of Texas lauded both Wilson and Bryan.

EXCISE TAX BILL PASSES IN HOUSE.

By Associated Press.

Washington, D. C., March 19.—The Democratic Excise Tax Bill passed the House this afternoon by a vote of 249 to 41, many Republicans voting for the measure.

The wool toll is next on the Democratic program.

Music Supervisors at St. Louis.

St. Louis, Mo., March 19.—More than four hundred music supervisors representing a score or more of the States, are in attendance at the fifth annual convention of the National Music Supervisors' Association which opened here today with an informal reception. The music teachers and supervisors of the local public schools have arranged an interesting program for the entertainment of the visitors for every one of the three days of the convention. Many important matters concerning the testing and training of the voices of school children and other subjects bearing upon music in the public and Sunday schools will be discussed by experts during the various sessions. Tomorrow morning the members will inspect the St. Louis public schools and in the evening there will be a social gathering. A concert by the Symphony Orchestra and 500 students of the St. Louis high schools will be given Thursday night for the entertainment of the supervisors.

TAFT IS SCORED AS WEAK LEADER

Beveridge in Chicago Address Pays Respects to President

By Associated Press.

Chicago, Ill., March 19.—Escortation of President Taft as a weak leader and a "do nothing" and praise of Roosevelt as the "Iron Man," whom the "money interests feared," marked the address of former Senator Beveridge before the Roosevelt mass meeting here today.

Beveridge scored the Sherman law as being obsolete, inapplicable to present conditions and nullified by Supreme Court decisions.

"What people need at the head of their government is a good, strong man," declared the speaker. "Big Business has strong men at its head. A president must be able to make these strong men realize, as Roosevelt made them realize, that they are under not above the government of the whole people."

ROOSEVELT PLEASED AT TAFT DECLARATION.

By Associated Press.

New York, March 19.—Referring to President Taft's declarations in his speech at Boston yesterday, Col. Roosevelt today issued a statement, saying:

"I am exceedingly glad that the President favors the presidential primary, but if his campaign managers will sincerely back him in the proposition he will be able at once to set a presidential preference primary in Michigan, Illinois, Maryland, the District of Columbia and New York."

APPOINTMENT OF SLOAN OPTUSED.

By Associated Press. Phoenix, Ariz., March 18.—A memorial resolution protesting against confirmation of President Taft's appointment of ex-Governor Sloan as United States District Judge of Arizona, addressed to the United States Senate was adopted today by the Arizona state senate.

PROBING CAUSE OF EXPLOSION

Committee at San Antonio Trying to Fix Responsibility

Special to Daily News.

San Antonio, Tex., March 19.—The investigating committee which is probing the cause of the explosion in the Southern Pacific shop yards here yesterday, which cost the lives of twenty-six men, resumed its deliberations this afternoon at 2 o'clock and it is expected that a report fixing the responsibility will be issued.

It is known that the committee has found that the explosion was of steam and that no outside agency was used. Whether the safety valve of the engine was defective or whether it had been tampered with is the thing the committee will endeavor to ascertain. A test of the valve was made this afternoon.

RIVERS AND HARBORS BILL PASSES HOUSE.

By Associated Press.

Washington, D. C., March 19.—The House today passed the Rivers and Harbors appropriation bill, carrying upwards of \$424,250,000.

Twenty of the appropriation items and an equal number of survey items were for works of investigation in Florida, the home of Chairman Sparkman of the Committee.

MINIMUM WAGE BILL MAY SETTLE STRIKE.

By Associated Press.

London, March 19.—The coal miners' minimum wage bill, designed by the government to put an end to the coal strike, passed its first reading in the House of Commons tonight.

The proposed minimum will be paid, according to the measure, from the date of resumption of work. The enactment is for a period of three years.

Workmen who are paid less than the minimum wage will be able to recover in the courts if the bill is finally adopted.

Rounds Out Century of Notable Work.

Philadelphia, Pa., March 19.—Three days of celebration began today at the Philadelphia Academy of Natural Sciences in honor of the completion of its first century of existence. It was founded in 1812 by a small group of young men, principally chemists and others engaged in the drug trade, and from a humble beginning has developed into an institution of world-wide reputation and has proved of the highest value to the advancement of science in America. The centenary exercises will be participated in by scores of eminent scientists and educators from all parts of the country.

PARRAL GARRISON TO JOIN REBEL FORCES.

By Associated Press.

Chihuahua, March 19.—General Jose Soto, commanding several hundred rurales who are garrisoning the city of Parral, today telegraphed General Orozco that he and his men would join the revolution.

The Federals who were taken prisoners yesterday at Baca have been given their liberty. Many of them are joining the insurrection.

The WEATHER

Local Forecast.

Generally cloudy and colder Wednesday.

Yesterday's Temperature.
7 a. m. 57 7 p. m. 73
Maximum 81 Minimum 50
1911 Max. 72 Min. 41

Washington Forecast.

By Associated Press.

Washington, D. C., March 19.—For West Texas—Rain, colder north and west; fair southwest Wednesday.

NORTH DAKOTANS FOR LA FOLLETTE

Wisconsin Senator Seems to Have Safe Lead in Primary

BIG PLURALITY CLAIMED

RETURNS FROM ISOLATED DISTRICTS MAY NOT BE OBTAINED UNTIL A LATE HOUR TODAY.

By Associated Press.

Fargo, N. D., March 19.—Chairman Taftcott of the Republican state committee and John F. Bass of Chicago, manager of the Roosevelt campaign in this state, tonight telegraphed Senator Dixon at Washington that Senator La Follette had carried the North Dakota presidential primaries. Neither predicted a La Follette plurality.

The decision was based on nearly complete returns from eighteen out of forty-nine counties. Roosevelt men counted on ten of these.

With Grand Forks, Falls City, Devils Lake, Minot and other larger cities listed for La Follette it seems that his plurality will be large.

President Taft received a small vote.

La Follette leaders tonight telegraphed La Follette that he had won the preference primaries by 15,000.

On account of the difficulty in securing accurate returns from isolated quarters it is doubtful if the total vote of 1,800 precincts will be known before late tomorrow.

It is estimated that on account of storms, especially in the eastern country, the vote will not exceed 50,000.

La Follette Pleased

By Associated Press.

Chicago, Ill., March 19.—"That's better than I expected," said Senator La Follette, on his arrival here tonight when shown early returns from the North Dakota primaries.

"I'm glad to see the so-called 'cow country' return the results that it did. My friends in that state cannot be fooled by talk, and North Dakota cannot be turned from its progressive trend."

BUILDERS TO MEET IN SOUTH DAKOTA.

By Associated Press.

Aberdeen S. D., March 19.—Extensive preparations are being made for the "State Builders' meeting which will begin here tomorrow and continue until Thursday night. Governors Eberhart of Minnesota and Vesey of South Dakota will speak.

POSSIBILITY OF COAL STRIKE WORRIES NAVY.

By Associated Press.

Washington, D. C., March 19.—Possibilities of a coal strike are causing anxiety at the Navy Department. Tomorrow Secretary Meyer will confer with representatives of the bituminous coal companies which supply the navy.

WACO BUSINESS MAN IS KILLED

A. P. Duncan Shot to Death, Alex Johnson Under Arrest

Special to Daily News.

Waco, Tex., March 19.—A. F. Duncan, president of the Waco Machinery and Supply company, who was shot yesterday by Alex Johnson, died at 3:30 this morning at the hospital. Johnson, who was yesterday afternoon released on \$5,000 bond, was today re-arrested on a charge of murder, the complaint yesterday charging assault to murder.

Johnson is a traveling salesman for Duncan's company. The shooting took place in Duncan's office, after which Johnson walked to the courthouse and surrendered, declaring he had killed the capitalist.

It is alleged that the men had quarrelled over a contract. Johnson had been with the firm five years.

Both men stand in great esteem here and had long been residents of this city. Johnson is a member of the Austin Avenue Methodist church, of which Dr. H. D. Knickerbocker is pastor.

Duncan belonged to the same church.